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Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
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- (1) Christina Borgeest, Junior Examiner. (3) Daniel J. Pereira, Applicants' Attorney.
 (2) Elizabeth Kemmerer, Primary Examiner. (4) _____

Date of Interview: 04 December 2007.

Type: a) ☐ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
 c) ☒ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.
 If Yes, brief description: _____

Claim(s) discussed: 1,5-7,9,11-14,16-19 and 105.

Identification of prior art discussed: Chajut et al.; Buschmann et al.; Bouma et al.; all cited in the previous Office action mailed 19 October 2007.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☒ N/A.

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Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Regarding, 102(e), Attorney indicated that Chajut et al. is abandoned. Regarding 112, 1, Attorney indicated G-CSF is old in the art and Applicants gave a representative sampling in the specification, i.e., they were trying to reflect the breadth of what is known in the art. Examiner Kemmerer indicated that in the absence of evidence, 95% identity with activity limitation is considered acceptable, but that 90% identity is acceptable if accompanied by evidence (sequence alignment showing that variants having 90% are active). Examiner Kemmerer mentioned that "modified polypeptide" is extremely broad, but that "peptidomimetic" might be acceptable if accompanied by evidence. Regarding the 103, Attorney says that Bouma et al. is speculative at best. Applicants' attorney made mention of the Examiner's comment with regard to p. 34 of the specification ("most neuroprotectants found to be effective in models of experimental stroke are also effective in models of experimental traumatic brain injury"), however that it first must be known that G-CSF is neuroprotective and Buschman is talking about stroke and that blood flow during stroke does not equal neuroprotection, i.e., Applicants' appreciate a different mechanism, which Attorney asserts is relevant to a rejection under 35 U.S.C. 103. Examiner Kemmerer suggests Applicants might try to argue unexpected results or alternatively, counterevidence disputing Bouma et al., who says that stroke and traumatic brain injury may share the same pathophysiological mechanisms.